



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	Art Unit:
Morten Lorentz Pedersen	)	
	)	Washington, D.C.
U.S. App. No.: 10/053,883	)	
	)	August 5, 2002
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For: ASSAY AND KIT FOR ANALYZING	<b>3</b> )	
GENE EXPRESSION	)	Docket No.: PEDERSEN1A

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination upon the merits, kindly amend as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 3, 5-10, 14, 18, 21, 24, 31, 32, 34-36, 38-40, 43, 45-49, 53-54, 58-59, 61, 63-67, 70-75, 77, 79, 80-83, 85, 92, and 93 have been amended as follows:

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3 (amended). Method of claim 2, comprising the further step of determining the sequence of the tag.

4 (amended). Method of claim 1, comprising the further step of quantifying the tag.